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In re Application of	:	
Willaim E. Sonnier et al	:	
Application No. 10/060,022	:	ON PETITION
Filed: January 28, 2002	:	
Attorney Docket No. forbes-pitchextr	:	

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 29, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed March 21, 2003 which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time were obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Accordingly, by operation of law, the above-identified application became abandoned on June 22, 2003.

The petition decision mailed January 2, 2008 indicates the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed May 29, 2007 was dismissed as failing to provide a proper statement of unintentional delay.

The petition decision required a statement from Ms. Susan M. Ben-Oliel who is the person who signed the certificates of mailing of the various papers that were allegedly mailed to but never received by the Patent Office. The renewed petition includes a declaration by Ms. Ben-Oliel concerning the mailing of the various papers that were not received by the Patent Office.

The renewed petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of an amendment; (2) the petition fee of \$1,500; (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the amendment is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Carl Friedman at (571) 272-6842.

The application file is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 1616 for consideration of the amendment in due course.

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